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Lieutenant General Vernon A. Walters
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Dear General Walters:

Once again, let me express personally, and on behalf of the Burlington Rotary Club, deep appreciation for your outstanding talk on 23 February 1976. Many of the people who heard you have complimented you most highly. The consensus in the group is that your was the best program was have had in many years.

Enclosed, for your information, is the story which appeared in the Burlington Free Press the day after your visit. I wish it had given a little more coverage to what you had said but I believe it is about as much as one could expect in view of the overall treatment given the CIA by the public media. You were also covered on both local television and radio programs though much more briefly than you were in the Free Press. I think you struck a fine blow for the intelligence community as a whole by informing many of our opinion-makers of the importance and true role of intelligence-gathering agencies.

With best personal regards,

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Dear General Walters:

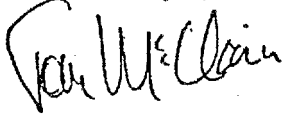
Please forgive my delay in formally letting you know how much your visit to Houston was appreciated. Although my flashfires are not as global and significant as yours, they required my attention nonetheless.

I am one man who sincerely thanks you on behalf on our group. Never before has a speaker generated so much interest, radiated so much confidence and, unfortunately, been so castigated by press coverage.

The enclosed article appeared in one of our local papers. I trust you believe me when I tell you extreme dissatisfaction was expressed by me to both newspapers for the manner in which your speech was reported. Here-with too, I hope you will let me know if you are to speak in Houston again. I promise I will personally do what I can to see that you receive accurate coverage.

Again, thanking you very much, I am,

Sincerely yours,



Tom McClain

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